TOWN OF EMMITSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION

January 29, 2018

Attending: Keith Suerdieck, Vice Chair, John Howard, Secretary, Joyce Rosensteel, Frank Davis, Cliff Sweeney

Staff: Sue Cipperly

Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome to Frank Davis, newly appointed member of the Planning Commission.

Disposition of meeting minutes for Oct. 30, 2017: Motion to approve minutes by John Howard, second provided by Joyce Rosensteel. Motion was approved by all present.

Re-organization:

Nomination for Chairperson: Keith Suerdieck. No other nominations. Nomination approved by all members.

Nomination for Vice Chairperson: John Howard. No other nominations. Nomination approved by all members.

Nomination for Secretary: Frank Davis nominated but declined. Joyce Rosensteel nominated. Nomination approved by all members.

New Officers: Chairperson: Keith Suerdieck

Vice Chairperson: John Howard

Secretary: Joyce Rosensteel

Old Business: None

New Business: 2017 Annual Report to MD Dept. of Planning. Motion to recommend the 2017 Annual Report by Joyce Rosensteel, second provided by Frank Davis. Motion approved by all present.

Public Comment: Due to confusion over the agenda for tonight's meeting several people were in attendance to speak about short term transient rentals. The chair provided these citizens with the opportunity to speak if they wished. The following people spoke in support of short term rentals.

Maria Henry Maureen O'Donnell Tim O'Donnell

Mark Walker presented a letter of support from Elizabeth Buckman.

At the conclusion of the public comment, the Chair made a motion to table the topic for this meeting and to further address the issue at the next meeting as scheduled. This motion was seconded by John Howard and approved by all members.

Agenda for February 26 meeting: Continue discussion of short term, transient rentals.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

John Howard, Vice Chairperson